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As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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5 are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole  
inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an  
original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are  
listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed  
10 and for which a patent is sought on the invention  
entitled "SWITCH-VARIABLE OPTICAL ATTENUATOR AND SWITCH  
ARRAYS", the specification of which is attached hereto  
and is identified by Attorney's Docket No. CORE-73.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand  
15 the contents of the above-identified specification,  
including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information  
which is material to the examination of this  
application in accordance with Title 37, Code of  
20 Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

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10 made on information and belief are believed to be true;  
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